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TITLE: Drying process for pelletized recycled plastic, in particular from polyester bottles, involves predrying using infra red heat followed by hot air drying in a silo.

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BASIC ABSTRACT:

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NOVELTY - Plastic products are pelletized and fed to an infra-red rapid dryer(1) where they are heated to not less than 130 deg. C to effect precrystallization and predrying. In a subsequent post drying stage in a buffer silo(2) the pellets are heated to not less than 160 deg. C and finally dried to give a water content of not more than 0.005%.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for the process equipment which includes an infra-red rapid dryer(1), a heat-insulated conveyer(4), a post drying buffer silo(2) and a hot air heater(3).

USE - For production of dry plastic pellets from recycled materials, in particular polyethylene terephthalate from plastic bottles, which may be reused for production of plastic products, especially in an extruder or a injection molding machine (claimed).

ADVANTAGE - Energy usage and process time are reduced compared to existing processes.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a schematic view of the process plant.

infra-red rapid dryer 1

buffer silo 2

hot air generator 3

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TECHNOLOGY FOCUS:

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TECHNOLOGY FOCUS - MECHANICAL ENGINEERING - Preferred Method: Pellet dwell time in the infra-red dryer(1) is approximately 10 minutes and the pellets leave the dryer at approximately 160degreesC. Post drying in the buffer silo(2) is with hot air which circulates through a hot, dry air generator(3) and the buffer silo. Dwell time for predried particles in the

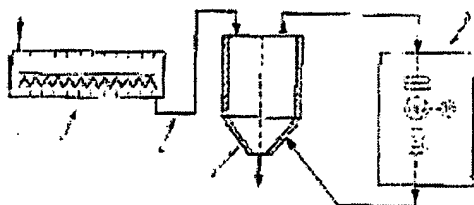
silos is approximately 1hr.

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Drying process for pelletized recycled plastic, in particular from polyester bottles, involves predrying with followed by hot air drying in a silo



**Novelty:** Plastic products are pelletized and fed to an infra-red rapid dryer(1) where they are heated to  $\sim 130^{\circ}\text{C}$  to effect precrystallization and predrying. In a subsequent post drying stage in a buffer silo(2) the pellets are heated to  $\sim 160^{\circ}\text{C}$  and finally dried to give a water content of  $\sim 0.005\%$ .

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**Advantage:** Energy usage and process time are reduced compared to existing processes.

**Detailed Description:** An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is in equipment which includes an infra-red rapid dryer(1), a heater(2), a conveyor(4), a post drying buffer silo(2) and a hot air heater(3).

infra-red rapid dryer 1

buffer silo 2

hot air generator 3

**Company Code:** KREY-

**Drawing:** 1/1

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